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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 3, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and entry of the following amendments to the claims. This Amendment is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time, a Request for Continued Examination and payment of the necessary fees.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.